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LT. GOVERNOR STEELE TO CALL FOR DIVESTING BILLIONS OF STATE FUNDS FROM COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS WITH SUDAN

WHO: Lt. Governor Michael S. Steele, State of Maryland,

Delegate Salima Marriott, D, District 40- Baltimore City, Rev. Walter E. Fauntroy, former U.S. Congressman and Chairman of the Sudan Campaign,

Joseph E. Madison, radio talk show host and President of the Sudan Campaign

WHAT: Divesting State funds from companies doing business with Sudan

WHEN: March 20, 2006

4:00 – 4:30 p.m.

WHERE Lawyers Mall

Annapolis, MD

INFO: Lt. Governor Michael S. Steele will call for divesting billions of dollars of Maryland State

Retirement and Pension System, Higher Education Commission and University System of Maryland funds from companies doing business with the Sudan. The MSRPS, MHEC and USM have diverse investments that include non-United State's companies with business

relationships with Sudan.

In addition to directing slave-trading, mutilations, rape and genocide of non-Arab Black Africans within its own nation, the Sudanese government is recognized as a sponsor of

terrorists.

The Sudan Campaign was founded in 2000 as a coalition to stop genocide, slavery, starvation

and religious persecution.